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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a reply to the Office Action dated March 26, 2002 for three month from June 26, 2002 to September 26, 2002.

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